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SUBJECT: QUARTERLY MEAT CABLE

PASS AGRICULTURE

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1. GNP QUARTERLY REAL GROWTH AT ANNUAL RATES

QUARTER	1973	1974
1ST	12.4	5.9
2ND	1.5	-
3RD	2.8	2.0 (EST)
4TH	10.9	3.0 (EST.)

2. SUPPLY AND DISPOSTION: PORK, MUTTON AND LAMB, POULTRY, (THOUSAND POUNDS).

		POST ESTIMATE	FORECAST
(A) PORK	1973	1974	1975
STOCKS, JAN 1	18,803	33,051	50,000
PRODUCTION	1,360,418	1,390,000	1,335,000

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IMPORTS	54,131	60,000	55,000

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TOTAL SUPPLY	1,433,352	1,483,051	1,440,000
EXPORTS	125,614	105,000	110,000
DOM. DISAPPEARANCE	1,274,687	1,328,051	1,310,000
STOCKS, DEC 31	33,051	50,000	20,000
PER CAPITA (1LBS.)	57.6	59.2	57.5

(B) MUTTON AND LAMB

STOCKS, JAN 1	9,103	7,067	5,000
PRODUCTION	21,893	18,200	20,000
IMPORTS	58,410	48,000	54,000
TOTAL SUPPLY	89,406	73,267	79,000
EXPORTS	156	95	200
DOM. DISPPEARANCE	82,183	68,172	71,800
STOCKS DEC 31	7,067	5,000	7,000
PER CAPITA (1BS).	3.7	3.0	3.1

(C) POULTRY

STOCKS, JAN 1	56,454	75,899	90,000
PRODUCTION	1,042,941	1,070,000	1,050,000
IMPORTS	17,572	20,000	15,000
TOTAL SUPPLY	1,116,967	1,165,899	1,155,000
EXPORTS	4,931	19,000	7,000
DOM. DISAPPEARANCE	1,036,137	1,056,899	1,083,000
STOCKS, DEC 31	75,899	90,000	65,000
PER CAPITA 1LBS.)	46.9	47.1	47.5

3 BEEF PRODUCTION

(A) ESTIMATE OF CATTLE NUMBERS ON FARMS (THOUSANDS).

	1973	1974	1975
JUNE 1	14,134	14,979	15,100/
DEC 31	13,370	14,000/	14,200/

(B) SLAUGHTER

CATTLE & CALVES	3,894	4,080 -/	4,200 1/

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(C) SUPPLY AND DISPOSITION (THOUSAND 1LBS. CARCASS WEIGHT EQUIVALENT).

		ESTIMATE	POST FORECAST
	1973	1974	1975
STOCKS, JAN 1	50,006	57,113	70,000
PRODUCTION-TOTAL	1,976,432	2,030,000	2,050,000

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-BEEF	1,901,575	1,961,000	1,975,000
-VEAL	65,857	69,000	75,000
IMPORTS-TOTAL	224,938	165,000	185,000
-BONE-IN	25,842	9,000	14,000
-BONELESS			
FRESH	21,876	16,000	15,000
FROZEN	147,432	115,000	136,000
OTHER	29,788	25,000	30,000
TOTAL SUPPLY	2,251,376	2,252,113	2,305,000
EXPORTS- TOTAL	88,204	50,000	55,000
BEEF-BONE IN	14,036	7,000	6,000
-BONELESS	60,888	35,000	40,000
-CURED	6,526	4,000	4,000
VEAL	2,294	1,000	1,000
N.E.S.	4,461	3,000	4,000
DOM. DISAPPEARANCE	2,106,059	2,132,113	2,190,0000
STOCKS, DEC 31	57,113	70,000	60,000
PER CAPITA (1LBS)	95.2	95.0	96.0

4. PRICE FORECAST

(A) WHOLESALE DRESSED MEAT PRICES- SOUTHERN ONTARIO
(A, STEER CARCASSES/SIDES 500-700 LBS.; CDN. CENTS/1LB.)

	FINAL 1973	ESTIMATE 1974
JANUARY	71.43	89.52
FEBRUARY	72.96	88.10
MARCH	74.66	81.97
APRIL	75.95	81.16
MAY	77.21	84.52
JUNE	80.30	86.29
JULY	81.13	90.67

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AUGUST	98.79	91.37
SEPTEMBER	88.07	91.42
OCTOBER	84.54	88.00
NOVEMBER	83.59	87.00
DECEMBER	82.84	85.00
ANNUAL AVERAGE	80.96	87.09

(B) IMPORTED BONELESS BEEF PRICES
AVAILABLE FROM L&MP/FAS/W

5. QUARTERLY ESTIMATE OF BEEF AND VEAL EXPORTS TO U.S.

QUARTER	1973	1974	1975
1ST	10,533	11,877	10,000
2ND	12,862	6,972	10,000

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3RD	25,253	9,000	13,000
4TH	7,804	11,000	12,000
TOTAL	56,452	38,849	45,000

COMMENT: FEDERALLY INSPECTED HOG SLAUGHTER THROUGH
OCTOBER 1974 UP 3.3 PERCENT FROM SAME PERIOD LAST YEAR.
REDUCED SLAUGHTERINGS IN REMAINING WEEKS OF 1974 EXPECTED
TO NARROW INCREASE FOR YEAR TO BETWEEN 2 AND 2.5 PERCENT.
DUE TO FEWER FARROWING INTENTIONS IN FINAL QUARTER OF
1974 THAN 1973 FINAL QUARTER WE FORECAST HOG SLAUGHTER
IN FIRST HALF 1975 TO DECLINE APPROXIMATELY 6-8 PERCENT
FROM 1974 FIRST HALF LEVEL.
TOTAL 1974 CATTLE AND CALF SLAUGHTER ESTIMATED TO INCREASE
4-5 PERCENT OVER 1973 LEVEL BUT EFFECT OF LOWER SLAUGHTER
WEIGHTS EXPECTED TO REFLECT IN TOTAL BEEF AND VEAL OUTPUT
INCREASE OF APPROXIMATELY 3 PERCENT OVER TOTAL 1973 OUTPUT.

ALL PORK AND BEEF AND VEAL ESTIMATES ARRIVED AT UNDER
CURRENT GOVERNMENT POLICIES AND DO NOT REPEAT DO NOT
REFLECT ANY PENDING U.S. DECISIONS ON IMPORT CONTROLS.
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